

What is claimed is:

1. A clamp mechanism for clamping and unclamping an information recording medium to be loaded on a loading plane of a turntable, the clamp mechanism comprising:

5 a plurality of holders each holding the information recording medium loaded on the loading plane of the turntable; and

a driving device driving the holders in both of a holding direction along which the information recording medium is held and an un-holding direction along which the information recording
10 medium is released from being held;

wherein at least one of the plurality of holders is configured to press, in a direction parallel to the loading plane, the information recording medium loaded on the turntable.

15 2. The clamp mechanism according to claim 1, wherein the plurality of holders are configured to simultaneously hold and press the information recording medium when the driving device is driven in the holding direction.

20 3. The clamp mechanism according to claim 1, wherein the driving device comprises a movable member slidable in a direction perpendicular to the loading plane of the turntable, and

a pressing member pressing the plurality of holders so as to release the information recording member from being held, when the
25 movable member is slid in the direction perpendicular to the loading plane to be separated from the loading plane.

4. An information reproducing mechanism comprising:
a turntable having a loading plane on which an information
30 recording medium is allowed to be loaded; and

a clamp mechanism for clamping and unclamping the information recording medium loaded on the loading plane of the

turntable, the clamp mechanism comprising:

a plurality of holders each holding the information recording medium on the turntable; and

5. a driving device driving the holders in both of a holding direction along which the information recording medium is held and an un-holding direction along which the information recording medium is released from being held;

10 wherein at least one of the plurality of holders is configured to press, in a direction parallel to the loading plane, the information recording medium loaded on the turntable.

5. The information reproducing mechanism according to claim 4, wherein the plurality of holders are configured to simultaneously hold and press the information recording medium
15 when the driving device is driven in the holding direction.

6. The information reproducing mechanism according to claim 4, wherein the driving device comprises a movable member slidable in a direction perpendicular to the loading plane of the
20 turntable, and

a pressing member pressing the plurality of holders so as to release the information recording member from being held, when the movable member is slid in the direction perpendicular to the loading plane to be separated from the loading plane.

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